COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF THE UNION LIGHT, HEAT AND)
POWER COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC)
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO BID ON GAS) CASE NO.
AND ELECTRIC FRANCHISES IN CERTAIN CITIES)
LOCATED WITHIN ITS SERVICE AREA IN THE)
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY)

ORDER

On February 4, 1985, The Union Light, Heat and Power Company filed with the Commission its Application seeking a certificate of convenience and necessity to qualify it to bid on gas franchises in the cities of Cold Spring, Covington, Edgewood, Ludlow. Newport, Taylor Mill, and Woodlawn, and electric franchises in the cities of Alexandria, Cold Spring, Crittenden, Edgewood, Highland Heights, Lakeside Park, Ludlow, Union, and Woodlawn, all in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Under the provisions of KRS 278.020(3), no utility may apply for a franchise from any governmental agency until it has obtained a certificate of convenience and necessity from this Commission based on our finding that there is a need and demand for the services sought to be rendered.

The Commission finds that there is a need and demand for gas service in the cities of Cold Spring, Covington, Edgewood, Ludlow, Newport, Taylor Mill, and Woodlawn, and electric service in the cities of Alexandria, Cold Spring, Crittenden, Edgewood, Highland Heights, Lakeside Park, Ludlow, Union and Woodlawn.

Since the Commission's authority in such matters is limited by statute to finding only whether there is a need and demand for the services sought to be rendered, no finding or determination is made as to the validity of any of the provisions of the franchises offered by said cities or the manner in which any franchise fee is to be treated for rate purposes.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that The Union Light, Heat and Power Company be and it hereby is granted a certificate of convenience and necessity which authorizes it to bid on gas franchises in the cities of Cold Spring, Covington, Edgewood, Ludlow, Newport, Taylor Mill, and Woodlawn, and electric franchises in the cities of Alexandria, Cold Spring, Crittenden, Edgewood, Highland Heights, Lakeside Park, Ludlow, Union and Woodlawn.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that The Union Light, Heat and Power Company, if it becomes the successful bidder, shall file with this Commission copies of the said franchises.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall not be construed as granting a certificate of convenience and necessity to construct utility facilities in said cities.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 7th day of February, 1985.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Ce, Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST: